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MEMORANDUM FOR: AFIGO-S
                  Headquarters, USAF

SUBJECT   :   IDEALIST Drivers

1. At present, 7 drivers are assigned to the IDEALIST program. At least 2 additional pilots are needed. During the past year, we have been pressing our available pilots to the limit and have no expectation of a reduction in the programmed scope of activities. To further complicate matters, 25X1A ◻ will soon be leaving the program and while we have been fortunate enough to obtain ◻ 25X1A 25X1A ◻ as his incoming replacement, we have every reason to believe that at least 1 other pilot will resign from the program by 31 December 1963.

2. In view of our urgent need for pilots and the relatively long lead-time required for evaluation, recruitment and training, we seek your cooperation in obtaining 3 new pilots exclusive of ◻ It is requested that 25X1A files of suitable candidates be reviewed and referred to this office. Suitable candidates should meet the following requirements:

A. Physical

1. Age - 29 years minimum;

2. Height - 72 inches or under; and

3. Weight - 175 pounds or less;

B. Marital Status

Single or happily and securely married; and

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Handle via ◻
Control System

C. **Flying Proficiency**

1. 1,000 hours single-engine jet;

2. Clean accident record; and

3. Fighter pilot outlook.

3. Upon completion of your review, it is requested that each nominee's Official Selection Folder and current flying hour breakdown be furnished this office. Once a final review and selection is made, we should like to initiate a selection-recruitment program to obtain these pilots as soon as possible.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (RESEARCH)

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